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THE ADVOCATE PRESS

Claremont, N. H.

1924

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

Town charges	\$1000 00
Silby Free Public Library	100 00
Debt and interest	1500 00
State aid construction	571 50
State aid maintenance	200 00
Trunk Line maintenance	1000 00
Patrol on Charlestown road	200 00
Patrol on East Acworth road	200 00
For highways and bridges	1500 00
County tax	623 47
State tax	623 47
State tax	701 50
Old Home Day	50 00

Amount Raised for School Purposes

For support of schools	\$3000 00
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INVENTORY OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1922

Real estate	\$299,615 00
Horses, 195	19,935 00
Oxen, 14	1,550 00
Cows, 401	21,990 00
Other neat stock, 96	4,290 00
Sheep, 188	1,280 00
Hogs, 2	30 00
Fowls, 703	773 00
Portable mills, 14	4,155 00
Wood, lumber and etc.	25,911 00
Money on hand, at interest, or on deposit	2,607 00
Stock in trade	5,890 00
Mills and machinery	3,300 00
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Exemptions	\$391,326 00
	2,400 00
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Total exclusive of soldiers' exemptions	\$388,926 00
Polls, 3 at \$3.00	\$ 9 00
Polls, 227 at \$5.00	1135 00
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	\$ 1144 00
Average rate per cent of valuation for all purposes	\$2 62

SAMUEL A. NYE,
MARCH CLARK,
SOLON L. NEAL,

Selectmen of Acworth.

ORDERS DRAWN

Silsby Free Public Library

1923	
Sept. 29, G. A. Evans, trustee	\$ 25 00
Jan. 31, 1924, G. A. Evans, trustees	75 00
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	\$ 100 00

Orders Drawn for School Purposes

1923	
Sept. 29 G. A. Evans, treasurer	\$ 400 00
Nov. 6 G. A. Evans, treasurer	600 00
Nov. 21, G. A. Evans, treasurer	500 00
Nov. 24, G. A. Evans, treasurer	600 00
Dec. 7, G. A. Evans, treasurer	400 00
Jan. 30, 1924, G. A. Evans, treasurer 1921, dog money	99 15
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	\$2599 15

Orders Drawn for Special Purposes

1923	
April 14, Geo. E. Farrand, state treasurer, poll taxes for 1922	\$458 00
Oct. 27, W. A. Hunt, county treasurer	323 47
Dec. 17, Geo. E. Farrand, state treasurer	701 50
Dec. 24, W. A. Hunt, county treasurer, balance of county tax	300 00
Jan. 30, 1924, Geo. F. Farrand, poll taxes for 1923	398 00
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	\$2,180 97

Orders Drawn for Repair of Highways and Bridges

1923

April 28, William A. Pitkin, agent	\$ 21 00
May 15, W. A. Pitkin, agent	79 14
May 26, W. A. Pitkin, agent	79 50
June 30, W. A. Pitkin, agent	8 05
June 30, Carl Grant	6 00
June 30, W. A. Pitkin	213 82
June 30, A. L. Perham	2 00
June 30, William Moultrip	8 40
Oct. 27, C. H. Neal (Dodge Brook road)	19 50
Nov. 24, Harry Willard	63 00
Nov. 24, G. S. Neal, Beryl Mt. road	14 70
Nov. 24, W. A. Pitkin	26 50
Dec. 29, G. S. Neal	21 78
Dec. 29, S. L. Neal	3 50

 \$566 89

WALDO D. STEVENS, Agent

1923

June 30, J. H. Goewey, labor	\$ 19 80
June 30, Clarence Jeffery, labor	27 00
June 30, W. D. Stevens, labor	315 01
Dec. 29, W. D. Stevens, labor	5 00

 \$366 81

JOHN FAVOR, Agent

1923

May 26, C. H. Neal, labor on highways	\$ 33 00
June 4, G. S. Neal, labor on highways	32 20
June 30, John Favor, labor on highways	45 00
July 28, Guy S. Neal, labor on highways	24 40
July 28, S. A. Nye, labor on highway	2 35
Aug. 25, G. S. Neal, labor on highways (village)	98 00
Sept. 29, John M. Favor, labor on highways	91 38

Sept. 29, Victor Serenius, labor on highways	34 80
Sept. 29, Waino Kivi, labor on highways	99 00
Sept. 29, A. W. Potter, for gravel	6 00
Sept. 29, Guy S. Neal, labor on highways	7 80
Nov. 24, Guy S. Neal, labor on highways	15 90
Dec. 24, John M. Favor, labor on highways	37 80
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	\$527 63

CLARENCE H. NEAL, Patrol on East Acworth Road

1923

May 26, C. H. Neal, labor and cash paid	\$140 60
June 30, C. H. Neal, labor and cash paid	23 00
Aug. 25, C. H. Neal, labor and cash paid	28 15
Oct. 27, C. H. Neal, labor and cash paid	5 00
Dec. 29, C. H. Neal, labor and cash paid	12 00
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	\$208 75

GUY S. NEAL, Patrol on Charlestown Road

1923

June 4, G. S. Neal, labor and cash paid	\$ 80 50
June 30, G. S. Neal, labor and cash paid	98 00
July 28, G. S. Neal, labor and cash paid	20 40
Aug. 25, G. S. Neal, labor and cash paid	14 00
Sept. 29, G. S. Neal, labor and cash paid	32 68
Oct. 27, G. S. Neal, labor on culvert	32 84
Nov. 24, G. S. Neal, labor and cash paid	14 00
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	\$292 42

*Orders Drawn to Pay Different Persons for Labor on High-
ways and Bridges and Cash Paid for Lumber
and Hauling of Same*

1923

May 15, March Clark, labor on bridges	\$ 9 00
May 15, Fred L. Brown, labor on bridges	9 00
May 26, C. H. Neal, labor on bridges	4 40
June 4, W. S. Faught, bridge plank	96 55
June 4, C. H. Neal, labor on bridges	6 00
June 30, C. F. Clark, hauling bridge timber	12 00
June 30, A. E. Burnham, hauling bridge plank	4 00
June 30, March Clark, cash paid for bridge bolts	2 35
June 30, W. L. Sargent, for bridge plank	61 17
July 28, C. H. Neal, work on bridges	23 05
July 28, C. F. Clark, loading logs on truck	1 50
July 28, March Clark, work on bridges	20 25
July 28, George E. Howe, work on bridges	9 00
Aug. 25, C. H. Neal, work on bridges	11 50
Aug. 25, S. A. Nye, work on Lynn bridge	46 16
Aug. 25, Guy S. Neal, work on Lynn bridge	35 00
Sept. 29, J. W. Campbell, labor on highway	30 00
Oct. 18, Arthur L. Perham, lumber for Boynton bridge	41 98
Oct. 27, Walter L. Sargent, cash paid for sawing bridge lumber	9 35
Oct. 27, C. H. Neal, labor on Hemphill bridge	9 00
Oct. 27, C. H. Lund, drawing bridge lumber to New- port and back	74 00
Dec. 29, Charles R. License, labor on road in 1922	6 00
Dec. 29, Thomas Riley, for bridge bolts	2 25
Dec. 29, G. A. Evans, for spikes	7 78
Dec. 29, W. S. Faught, for bridge plank	89 13
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	\$620 42

Orders Drawn for State Aid Maintenance

1923

May 26, Guy S. Neal, labor and cash paid	\$ 44 33
June 30, Guy S. Neal, labor and cash paid	34 29
July 28, Guy S. Neal, labor and cash paid	19 12
July 28, Fred G. Huntley	127 50
Sept. 29, Guy S. Neal	73 77
Nov. 28, Guy S. Neal	239 43
Nov. 30, Guy S. Neal	18 72
Dec. 29, Guy S. Neal	12 05
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	\$569 21

Orders Drawn for Trunk Line Maintenance

1923

April 14, A. E. Meader	\$ 34 95
April 28, A. E. Meader	73 50
May 10, A. E. Meader	75 30
May 16, A. E. Meader	146 50
May 26, A. E. Meader	141 31
June 4, A. E. Meader	70 96
June 30, A. E. Meader	289 90
July 28, A. E. Meader	261 30
Aug. 25, A. E. Meader	289 00
Sept. 29, A. E. Meader	469 55
Oct. 26, George C. Lewis, painting guard rails	134 50
Oct. 27, A. E. Meader	299 00
Nov. 9, George C. Lewis, putting up guard rails	242 20
Nov. 23, George C. Lewis, putting up guard rails	425 88
Nov. 24, George C. Lewis, putting up guard rails	414 05
Nov. 24, A. E. Meader, maintenance	315 10
Nov. 30, George C. Lewis, putting up and painting guard rails	184 53
Nov. 30, A. E. Meader, maintenance	96 68
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	\$3964 21

Orders Drawn for State Aid Construction

1923

Oct. 27, Solon L. Neal, labor and cash paid	\$416 80
Nov. 13, Solon L. Neal, labor and cash paid	400 44
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	\$817 24

Orders Drawn for Breaking Roads

1923

March 17, Samuel D. Moody	\$ 33 60
March 17, Loella J. Paige	79 80
March 17, Everett H. Morse	19 20
March 17, W. A. Pitkin	35 00
March 17, Frank E. Eddy	27 50
March 17, D. W. Youtsey	6 75
March 17, Horace C. Mitchell	2 50
April 5, George D. Parker	11 10
April 14, M. D. Gay	2 00
April 14, Fred W. Hyde	18 00
April 14, Guy S. Neal	58 23
April 14, John M. Favor	10 80
April 14, Waldo D. Stevens	7 35
April 14, Ray Heselton	4 90
April 28, C. H. Neal	11 00
April 28, William Moulthrop	7 20
April 28, S. D. Moody	1 50
April 28, Frank Eddy	16 50
April 28, Waino Kivi	4 80
April 28, Victor Serenius	16 80
April 28, E. H. Morse	7 00
April 28, William Henderson	12 00
April 28, W. O. Kemp	6 00
April 28, Joseph Goewey	26 55
April 28, Carl W. Grant	6 00
April 30, Arthur E. Burnham	43 20

April 30, Charles Westney	10 50
April 30, Arthur L. Perham	10 00
April 30, Erving C. Davis	21 33
July 28, Clarence Jeffery	17 70
Sept. 10, Martin L. Mitchell	78 00
Dec. 29, Albert J. Davis	5 25
1924	
Jan. 30, Stanley B. Jordan	7 42
Jan. 31, Solon L. Neal	5 20
Jan. 31, Elroy E. Reed	43 30
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	\$673 98

Orders Drawn for Support of Paupers

County Charges

1923

Oct. 27, Elliott City hospital, care of Beulah Short and baby	\$72 37
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1924

Jan. 30, P. B. Stevens, M. D., medical attendance, Mrs. Harvey Short	9 00
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	\$81 37

Orders Drawn For Miscellaneous Purposes

1923

March 17, S. A. Nye, express on town reports	\$ 93
March 17, March Clark, envelopes and postage	2 90
April 14, Edson C. Eastman, supplies	2 61
April 14, G. H. Aldrich & Sons, insurance	7 50
April 14, Guy S. Neal, state schedule	3 00
April 28, March Clark, attending tax commission meeting, 1922	5 00
April 28, March Clark, attending tax commission meeting, 1923	5 00

April 28, Edson C. Eastman, 500 vouchers	7 10
April 28, Charles W. Rounsevel, for transfers	8 50
Aug. 25, Solon L. Neal, for mowing cemeteries	24 00
Dec. 24, Auto Service Bureau, leaflets for reference manual	6 73
Dec. 29, W. S. Faught, use of chainfalls	1 00
May 1, W. L. Gowen, use of water tub	3 00
May 26, W. P. Farmer, dues to N. H. Assessors' Association	2 00
May 26, E. L. Elliott, printing town reports	95 00
June 30, Loella J. Paige, use of water tub	3 00
June 30, Edson C. Eastman, supplies	7 82
June 30, Weston O. Kemp, expense deeding Forbes land sold for taxes	2 50
June 30, Weston O. Kemp, posting fire warden notices	3 00
Aug. 20, Mary E. Lenane, treasurer of Old Home Day Association	50 00
Aug. 25, Myra M. Brooks, tending lantern at wash-out	1 00
Dec. 29, W. S. Faught, cash paid for watching fire at South Acworth	14 05
Dec. 29, Fred L. Brown, for watching fire at South Acworth	3 50
1924	
Jan. 30, Fred G. Blake, Alstead Fire Dept., fighting fire at South Acworth	67 00
Jan. 30, P. B. Stevens, M. D., vital statistics	1 23
Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, taxes on Ernest Millay place, sold to the town	12 08
Jan. 30, Guy S. Neal to copying inventories and postage	18 20
Jan. 31, Solon L. Neal, watching fire at South Acworth	3 50
Jan. 31, Guy S. Neal, entering births, marriages and deaths	5 25
Jan. 31, S. A. Nye, postage and telephoning	45

Jan. 31, Joseph Dempsey, watching fire at South Acworth	3 50
Jan. 31, Charles Elliott, watching fire at South Acworth	3 50
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	\$373 87

Orders Drawn to Pay Town Officers

1923

March 17, A. A. Clark Estate, labor on bridge and services as selectman, 1922	\$ 23 45
April 28, C. B. Spaulding, services as supervisor	10 00
June 4, Solon L. Neal, services as selectman	87 00
June 4, March Clark, services as selectman	91 00
June 4, Samuel A. Nye, services as selectman	87 00
Sept. 29, Roy H. Buss, services as supervisor	10 00
Dec. 29, A. E. Clark, services as town auditor,	
Jan. 31, 1923	3 00

1924

Jan. 30, Guy S. Neal, for services as town clerk and treasurer	75 00
Jan. 31, Solon L. Neal, services as sexton	24 00
Jan. 31, Solon L. Neal, services as selectman	29 00
Jan. 31, March Clark, services as selectman	37 00
Jan. 31, Samuel A. Nye, services as selectman	29 00
Jan. 31, Samuel A. Nye, services as overseer of poor	7 00
Jan. 31, Weston O. Kemp, part payment for services as tax collector, 1923	80 00
Jan. 31, Weston O. Kemp, balance for services as tax collector, 1922	20 00
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	\$617 45

Orders Drawn to Pay Bounties on Hedgehogs and Wildcats

1923

Dec. 29, March Clark	\$ 44 40
Dec. 29, Solon L. Neal	12 40
Dec. 29, Samuel A. Nye	12 00
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	\$68 80

Orders Drawn for Abatement of Taxes

1923

Nov. 24, W. O. Kemp, tax collector over tax of Myra Brooks	\$ 4 85
Nov. 24, W. O. Kemp, tax collector over tax of Ira C. Perkins	40

1924

Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, tax collector, Harry Gordon's poll tax	3 00
Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, tax collector, John Moore's poll tax	5 00
Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, tax collector, Charles Murchough's, poll tax	3 00
Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, tax collector, Fannie Murchough's poll tax	5 00
Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, tax collector, George Watkins' poll tax	3 00
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	\$ 24 25

Orders Drawn to Pay Bonds, Notes and Interest

1923

April 14, Guy S. Neal, interest on notes	\$ 50 00
July 28, Guy S. Neal, interest on notes	50 00
July 28, Guy S. Neal, interest on trunk line bonds	80 00
Sept. 29, Guy S. Neal, interest on town notes	50 00
Dec. 29, Horace G. Perham, payment of bond	100 00

Dec. 29, Flora Buss, payment of bonds	100 00
Dec. 29, George W. Buss, payment of bond	100 00
Dec. 29, Samuel A. Nye, payment of bond	100 00
Dec. 29, Roy H. Buss, payment of bond	100 00
Dec. 29, Guy S. Neal, interest on bonds and notes 1924	130 00
Jan. 30, Guy S. Neal, note and interest	1518 75
Jan. 31, Samuel A. Nye, note and interest	• 208 33
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	\$2587 08

RECEIPTS IN THE TREASURY

1923

Feb. 1, Cash in the treasury, Auditor's report	\$614 46
March 13, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	311 07
April 1, Samuel A. Nye, note	200 00
April 14, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	91 32
May 2, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	341 17
May 15, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	496 78
May 17, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	562 75
June 2, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	206 30
June 7, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1923	346 73
June 13, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1923	331 50
June 13, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	38 22
June 30, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1923	556 85
June 30, Weston O. Kemp, taxes 1922	87 24
June 30, Weston O. Kemp, interest 1922	35 76
July 1, State, forestry fire bill	1 50
July 11, State trunk line maintenance	300 00
July 28, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	690 60
Aug. 22, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	159 54

Sept. 1, State Highway Dept. trunk line maintenance	400 00
Sept. 28, S. A. Nye, rent of town hall	6 00
Sept. 28, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1922	34 07
Sept. 28, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	470 28
Sept. 28, Guy S. Neal, auto permits	318 08
Sept. 28, Guy S. Neal, dog licenses	152 40
Oct. 16, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	315 78
Oct. 27, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	294 61
Oct. 27, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	45 48
Oct. 27, State, State Aid maintenance	100 00
Oct. 27, State, trunk line maintenance	300 00
Nov. 1, Guy S. Neal, note	1500 00
Nov. 13, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	1005 82
Nov. 14, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	576 34
Nov. 18, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	481 29
Nov. 27, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	977 85
Dec. 1, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	1296 94
Dec. 7, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	811 23
Dec. 14, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	333 83
Dec. 17, State, insurance tax	3 00
Dec. 17, State, savings bank tax	200 44
Dec. 29, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	379 32
Dec. 29, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	120 55
1924:	
Jan. 12, State, bounty on wildcats	40 00
Jan. 12, State, bounty on hedgehogs	28 80
Jan. 12, State Highway Dept., state aid construction	235 06
Jan. 12, State Highway Dept., state aid maintenance	177 27
Jan. 12, State Highway Dept., trunk line maintenance	1933 50
Jan. 25, Guy S. Neal, auto permits less fees	170 72
Jan. 25, Guy S. Neal, dog licenses	9 40
Jan. 25, Guy S. Neal, auto permits	12 68
Jan. 25, Henry Dinsmore, junk license	5 00
Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	350 98

Jan. 30, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1922	31 08
Jan. 31, W. O. Kemp, taxes 1923	83 14
Jan. 31, W. O. Kemp, interest 1923	7 17
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	\$18,579 90

Recapitulation

Silby Free Public Library	\$ 100 00
For school purposes	2599 15
State and County taxes	2180 97
Highways and bridges (W. A. Pitkin)	566 89
Highways and bridges (W. D. Stevens)	366 81
Highways and bridges (John Favor)	527 63
Patrol on East Acworth road (C. H. Neal)	208 75
Patrol on Charlestown road (Guy S. Neal)	292 42
Repair of highways and bridges by different persons	620 42
For state aid maintenance (Guy S. Neal)	569 21
For trunk line maintenance	3964 21
State aid construction	817 24
Breaking roads	673 98
Support of paupers	81 37
Miscellaneous purposes	373 87
Town officers	617 45
Hedgehogs and wild cats	68 80
Abatement of taxes	24 25
Bonds, notes and interest	2587 08
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Total	\$17,240 50
Cash in the treasury to balance	1,339 40
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	\$18,579 90

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Number of male and spayed dogs licensed for full year	50	\$100 00
Number of female dogs licensed for full year	13	65 00
Number male dogs licensed for part of year	4	6 23
Number of female dogs licensed for part of year	1	4 17
	68	\$175 40
Amount of fees due town clerk		13 60
Amount paid town treasurer		\$161 80

I hereby certify that I have examined the account of
Guy S. Neal, town clerk and find it correct

ALMON E. CLARK, Town Auditor.

AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

Assets of the Town January 31, 1924

Cash in the treasury	\$1339 40
Due from W. O. Kemp, tax collector for 1923	1800 00
Due from county pauper bill	81 37
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	\$3220 77

Liabilities of the Town Jan. 31, 1924

Town bonds interest at 4 per cent	\$ 3500 00
Outstanding notes	4000 00
School money	500 00
Dog license money due school district	161 80
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	\$8161 80
Assets	3220 77

Balance against the town	\$4941 03
Balance against the town, Jan. 31, 1923	\$5284 69
Balance against the town, Jan. 31, 1924	4941 03
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Reduction of debt	\$ 343 66

State Aid Maintenance (As Reported by the State)

Balance due from state, Jan. 31, 1923	\$ 79 90
Balance due from town Jan. 31, 1923	79 89
Appropriation state	200 00
Appropriation, town	200 00
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	\$559 79

Expended by state	\$279 88	
Expended by town	279 88	
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	\$559 76	
Balance unexpended, state	\$ 02	
Balance unexpended, town	01	
	<hr/>	\$559 79
Order drawn Dec. 29, 1923 by Guy S. Neal		\$ 12 05

Trunk Line Maintenance

Balance due from state Jan. 31, 1923	\$ 93 58	
Balance due from town Jan. 31, 1923	31 19	
Appropriation, 1923, state	3000 00	
Appropriation, 1923, town	1000 00	
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Total fund		\$4124 77
Expenditures by the state	\$3092 13	
Expenditures by the town	1030 71	
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Unexpended by the state	\$ 1 45	
Unexpended by the town	48	
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State Aid Construction

Balance Jan. 31, 1923, state	\$ 4 98	
Balance Jan. 31, 1923, town	8 31	
Appropriation, state	342 60	
Appropriation, town	571 50	
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		\$927 39

Expended, state	\$343 00	
Expended, town	582 18	
Unexpended, state	83	
Unexpended, town	1 38	
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Respectfully submitted,

ALMON E. CLARK, Town Auditor.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

Of the Town of Acworth on January 31, 1924

April 22, 1913. Ball Cemetery Fund, invested New Hampshire Saving Banks; amount \$100 rate 4 per cent, on hand \$10.02, income \$4.40, expended \$2.25, balance \$12.27.

April 22, 1913. Buswell Cemetery Fund, New Hampshire Savings Bank; amount \$200, rate 4 per cent, on hand \$20.07, income \$8.80, expended \$4.50, balance \$24.37.

April 26, 1916. Bowers Cemetery Fund. New Hampshire Savings Bank; amount \$300, rate 4 per cent, on hand \$27.83, income \$13.08, expended \$7.50, balance \$33.41.

March 1, 1919. Neal Cemetery Fund, New Hampshire Savings Bank; amount \$100, rate 4 per cent, on hand \$7.64, income \$4.28, expended \$2.25, balance \$9.67.

Dec. 15, 1921. Clark Cemetery Fund, Liberty Bonds 1917, amount \$200, rate 3 1-2 per cent, on hand \$6, income \$7, expended \$2, balance \$11.

July 8, 1922. Place Cemetery Fund, New Hampshire Savings Bank; amount \$50, rate 4 per cent, on hand 83c, income \$2, expended \$2, balance 83c.

April 5, 1915. Acworth Silsby Free Public Library, New Hampshire Savings Bank, amount \$150, rate 4 per cent, income \$6, expended \$6.

January 31, 1924.

ALMON E. CLARK,
GEORGE A. EVANS,
GUY S. NEAL,

Trustees.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

*To the Trustees of Silsby Free Public Library and Citizens
of the Town of Acworth.*

The number of readers have been about the same as in previous years. 945 books and 1228 magazines have been loaned from the main library, over 50 books and some magazines from the South Acworth branch, 100 for school use in charge of the teachers. 106 visitors in all have registered from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York Pennsylvania and California.

The library (115 volumes) of the late Miss Julia F. Baker was given by Mrs. French which are a valuable addition, books of reference being among them. Other interested friends have presented books and freely loaned their magazines. Books have been purchased from the Mrs. Bowers fund. A good part of these are Juvenile.

To each and all many thanks are extended.

Respectfully submitted,

ANGIE H. LIVINGSTONE, Librarian.
South Acworth Branch, ALICE M. BURNHAM,

Treasurer's Report of Silsby Free Public Library

1923

Feb. 1, Balance in treasury		\$95 73
Feb. 27, Paid Angie H. Livingston, librarian, 4 weeks	\$ 3 00	
May 1, Paid Angie H. Livingston, librarian, 9 weeks	6 75	
May 23, Paid Lysle R. Farnsworth, for 2 1-4 cords wood	18 00	
June 6, Paid the Quality Print Shop, printing slips	5 50	
July 12, Paid Angie H. Livingston, librarian, 10 weeks	7 50	
July 31, Paid C. B. Spaulding, work and paint on library	30 95	
Aug. 29, Paid S. A. Nye, for work and cash paid	5 20	
Sept. 6, Paid Angie H. Livingston, librarian, 7 weeks	5 25	
Oct. 15, Paid Angie H. Livingston, librarian, 6 weeks	4 50	
Nov. 10, Paid Guy S. Neal, for kindling	1 50	
Dec. 7, Paid Angie H. Livingston, librarian, 8 weeks	6 00	

1924

Jan. 22, Paid Angie H. Livingston, for magazines	15 40	
Jan. 26, Paid S. A. Nye, for janitor's work to Feb. 1	6 25	
Jan. 29, Paid Angie H. Livingston, librarian balance of year	6 25	
Jan. 30, Paid G. A. Evans, for wire netting and floor oil	4 02	
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1923	
Sept. 29, Cash from town treasurer	\$ 25 00
1924	
Jan. 25, Cash from Rebecca Madison fund	6 00
Jan. 31, Cash from town treasurer, balance of library money	75 00
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	\$201 73
	126 07
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Balance in treasury	\$ 75 66

I hereby certify that I have examined the account of George A. Evans, treasurer of the Silsby Free Public Library and find it correct.

ALMON E. CLARK, Town Auditor.

THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
FINANCIAL REPORT

Liabilities

Receipts

Balance on hand, July 1, 1922	\$577 32
Town treasurer	3142 08
Town treasurer, dog tax	122 90
State treasurer	3919 14
Wheeler's Pharmacy, overcharge	3 85
A. E. Clark, paint stock sold	2 08
J. C. Winston Co., refund	35 54
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	\$7802 91

Disbursements

District officers' salaries	\$ 68 00
Supt. salary	230 77
Truant officer and enumerator	5 00
Expense of administration	8 59
Salaries to teachers	4122 40
Textbooks	308 44
Supplies	275 93
Flags	6 52
Janitor service	78 40
Fuel	234 50

Minor repairs and expenses	269 60
Water, light and janitor supplies	8 35
Medical inspection	36 50
Transportation	951 50
High school tuition	110 00
Elementary tuition	162 00
New equipment	4 00
Per capita tax	248 00
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	\$7128 50
Balance, cash on hand, July 1, 1923	674 41
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	\$7802 91

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR IN DETAIL

District Officers' Salaries

Guy S. Neal, district clerk and auditor	\$ 8 00
Irving Morse, services on school board	20 00
Jessamine Smith, services on school board	20 00
Almon E. Clark	20 00
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	\$ 68 00

Superintendent's Salary

George D. Nourse, Supt. salary	\$230 77
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Truant Officers and Enumerator

Jessamine B. Smith, school census	\$ 5 00
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Expenses of Administration

Eva J. Dempsey, parcel postage	\$ 2 50
Eva J. Dempsey, postage and express	2 45
Almon E. Clark, stationery and postage	1 64
School district of Charlestown, supplies	2 00
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	\$ 8 59

Salaries to Teachers

Edward Mahoney, 23 weeks, Acworth	\$414 00
Gladys Adams, 13 1-5 weeks, Acworth	237 60
Marion Wilbur, 3-5 week, Acworth	10 80
Milton Webster, 38 weeks, Grout Hiill	760 00
Eva J. Dempsey, 36 weeks, So. Acworth	720 00
Maud Moody, 36 weeks, Derry Hill	720 00
Clara Youtsey, 36 weeks, North	612 00
Pauline Austin, 36 weeks, County	648 00
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	\$4122 40

Text-books

D. C. Heath & Co.	\$ 3 28
The MacMillan Co.	4 60
J. L. Hammett Co.	4 59
Longman Green & Co.	15 14
J. L. Hammett Co.	10 21
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.	4 48
World Book Co.	21 98
Laidlaw Brothers	8 36
Scott Foresman & Co.	17 00
Allyn & Beacon	7 64
Milton Bradley	10 30
F. M. Ambrose Co.	2 48
Silver Burdett & Co.	6 50
The MacMillan Co.	9 12

D. C. Heath & Co.	7 12
John C. Winston Co.	35 54
Silver, Burdett Co.	80
American Book Co.	18 56
Scott Foresman & Co.	31 48
W. B. Ramsey Co.	18 65
The MacMillan Co.	9 12
John C. Winston Co.	35 54
World Book Co.	25 35
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	\$308 44

Supplies

Wheeler's Pharmacy, Inc.	\$ 11 05
Guy S. Neal	3 44
Kinney Bros. & Walkins	69 87
Eva J. Dempsey	1 25
Harris & Kilpatrick	5 81
Kenney Bros. & Walkins	92 04
George D. Nourse	60
Funk & Wagnalls Co.	12 50
Milton Bradley Co.	62
G. A. Evans	18 02
Charlestown School District	8 79
Milton Bradley Co.	3 57
Kenney Bros. & Walkins	14 47
Kenney Bros. & Walkins	8 24
Charlestown School District	25 66
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	\$275 93

Flags

Milton Bradley Co.	\$ 6 52
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Janitor Service

T R. Potter	\$ 24 00
Maud Moody	15 00
Maurice Miller	1 40
Eva J. Dempsey	18 00
Leon F. Balla	9 10
Gordon Wilson	1 90
Josephene Goewey	9 00
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	\$78 40

Fund

E. H. Morse	\$103 00
Guy S. Neal	22 50
W. A. Pitkin	24 00
Charles F. Clark	17 00
Harry Willard	5 00
Miller Bros.	25 00
Joseph Dempsey	38 00
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	\$234 50

Water, Light and Janitor Supplies

Milton Bradley Co., water cooler	\$ 8 35
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Minor Repairs and Expenses

T. F. Allen, repairs and painting on East Acworth school house	\$37 50
Silsby & Johnson Co., lead, oil and supplies	36 40
T. F. Allen, work and painting inside school house	9 00
Walter Wheeler, white washing school house	1 60
Silsby & Johnson Co., paint, oil and supplies	15 25
H. C. Metcalf, hooks, varnish and nails	4 80
George B. Albee Co., 3 stoves	49 50

Thomas F. Allen, labor and supplies, Acworth schoolhouse	24 90
A. E. Clark, supplies and express	2 57
J. E. Morse, material and labor	21 00
T. F. Allen, labor painting and turpentine	7 77
Eva J. Dempsey, labor	5 60
Silsby, Johnson Co., paint	5 35
A. E. Clark, stove pipe and setting up stove	1 60
Jessamine B. Smith, cleaning school house	2 50
W. G. Smith, repairing roof	1 00
A. E. Burnham, hauling 3 stoves	3 00
Marion O. Wilbur, transportation	1 00
Guy S. Neal, freight	50
Milton Bradley Co., supplies	1 59
Josephine Goewey, cleaning schoolhouse	2 00
Etta Rhodes, cleaning school house	3 00
J. E. Morse, painting	10 00
H. C. Metcalf, paints and oil	8 65
W. S. Faught, shingles and lumber	7 12
Paul Balla, labor	3 00
Eva J. Dempsey, labor	2 75
Leon Balla, labor	65
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	\$269 60

Medical Inspection

P. B. Stevens, M. D., medical inspection	\$36 50
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Transportation of Pupils

Alfred Beaudet	\$189 50
Roy Buss	252 00
Horace Mitchell	510 00
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	\$951 50

High School Tuition

Union School District—

Della A. Robbins and Elsie M. Robbins, tuition \$110 00

Elementary Tuition

School District of Lempster—

Tuition, East Acworth \$162 00

New Equipment

J. E. Morse, sand box \$ 4 00

Per Capita Tax

John W. Plummer, state treasurer \$248 00

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing account and find it correct.

GUY S. NEAL, Auditor.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Members of the Acworth School Board:

In 1846 a certain test in arithmetic was given to the ninth grade pupils of the Springfield, Mass. school system. The average age of the pupils was 15 years and six months. The average of the grades secured by the pupils was 29.41 per cent. The same test was given in 1923 to nearly five thousand eighth grade children of an average age 13 years 6 months. The average grade was 49.26 per cent. The per cent correct for Acworth children was 75.

In 1846 at Springfield the test in spelling resulted in an average grade of 40.65 per cent. In New Hampshire, in 1923, the test was of words of about equal intrinsic difficulty and the state average was 67.24 per cent. The per cent correct for Acworth was 94.

In other words, the "good old days" did not, even in a city school system, develop as good average arithmetic and spelling students.

The school at Acworth Center is entirely too large for a one teacher school. The small room, work on which was begun four years ago, could profitably be finished off and used for the younger pupils.

The County School was made over in appearance. It still lacks suitable desks. The class of parents and children interested in the County School, and their very sincere co-operation for the good of the efficiently managed school, merit consideration this year in equipping the school

with acceptable desks. New blackboards have taken the place of the wholly inadequate painted planks. The building should be visited and noted as a distinct advance in standards.

The superintendent calls attention to the following suggestions: To extend over such a period as the Board considers wise.

1. Adjustable shades for the windows, permitting ceiling light.

2. Insistence on attendance at summer school session for such teachers as are not provided with certificate privileges, or as many conceivable, need more training.

4. Chemical toilets at Acworth Center.

5. Ventilating stove attachment at South Acworth.

During the last fiscal year, 6 schools were maintained; 113 different pupils enrolled; there were 403 cases of tardiness (entirely too large a number) only seven (7) children were neither absent nor tardy during the year. Fifteen visits to schools were made by board members. The superintendent made 94 trips to the schools. 145 citizens visited the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) LAWTON CHASE, Supt.

BUDGET

Of the Town of Acworth

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 31, 1924 to January 31, 1925, compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year, January 31, 1923, to January 31, 1924.

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1923	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1924	In- crease	De- crease
FROM STATE:				
Insurance tax	\$ 3 00	\$ 3 00		
Savings Bank tax	200 44	200 44		
For fighting forest fires	1 50	1 50		
For highways,				
(a) For state aid maintenance	279 90	200 00		\$79 90
(b) Trunk line maintenance	3093 58	300 00		93 58
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES				
All licenses and permits ex- cept dog licenses	5 00	5 00		
Rent of town hall and other buildings	6 00	6 00		
Interest received on taxes and deposits	42 93	42 93		
FROM POLL TAXES	1144 00	1144 00		
(b) Dog licenses	161 80	161 80		
Revenue Applicable Only to New Construction and Im- ments:				
FROM STATE:				
(a) For State Aid Highway struction	347 58	342 60		4 98
TOTAL REVENUES FROM SOURCES EXCEPT PRO- PERTY TAXES:	5285 73	5107 27		178 46
Amount Raised by Property Taxes:	10684 00	10684 00		
TOTAL REVENUES	\$15969 73	\$15791 27		

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1923	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1924	In- crease	De- crease
Current Maintenance Expenses:				
General Government:				
Town officers' salaries	\$617 45	\$617 45		
Town officers' expenses	43 77	35 00		\$8 77
Health department,				
Vital Statistics	7 50	7 50		
Highway and Bridges:				
State Aid Maintenance				
State's contribution	279 90	200 00		79 90
Town's contribution	279 89	200 00		79 89
Trunk Line Maintenance				
State's contribution	3093 58	3000 00		93 58
Town's contribution	1031 19	1000 00		31 19
Education	1000 00	1000 00		
Libraries	100 00	100 00		
Charities:				
Town poor	81 37	100 00	\$18 63	
Patriotic purposes:				
Memorial day and other cele-				
brations, Old Home day	50 00			50 00
Public Service Enterprises:				
Cemeteries	24 00	24 00		
INTEREST				
On temporary loans	227 08	227 08		
On bonded debt	160 00	140 00		20 00
Outlay for New Construction				
and Permanent Improvements:				
Highways and Bridges				
Town construction	2592 34	2500 00		92 34
State Aid Construction				
State's contribution	347 58	342 60		4 95
Town's contribution	579 81	571 50		8 31
Indebtedness:				
(a) Bonds	500 00	500 00		
Payments to Other Govern-				
mental Divisions:				
State taxes	701 50	701 50		
County taxes	623 47	623 47		
Payments to School Districts	2599 15	3000 00	400 85	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$14939 58	\$14890 10	\$419 48	\$468 93

VITAL STATISTICS

In compliance with an act of the Legislature passed June Session, 1887, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," we submit the following:

BIRTHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, N H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Date 1923	Name of Child [if any]	Sex and Condition		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Parents' color	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Male or Female	Living or Stillborn							
Jan. 27	Robert Edwin Trask	M	1st	Benjamin B. Trask	Jessie M. Grant	White	Acworth	Farmer	Farmington, Me.	Lempster
Feb. 15	Alton Paul Balla	M	1st	Paul Balla	Glady's Boutwell	"	"	Laborer	Pennsylvania	Townsend, Vt.
Mar. 1	Herbert Edward Pratt	M	1st	Paul H. Pratt	Clara M. Perkins	"	"	Laborer	Keene	Grafton, Vt.
Mar. 10	Louise Berta Brier	F	7th	Paul Brier	Elizabeth Oswpah	"	"	Cabinet Maker	Hungary	Hungary
July 8	Van Rensselaer Brooks	M	7th	Charles M. Brooks	Myra E. Anazeen	"	"	Civil Engineer	Charlestown	New Castle
July 27	Leslie James Durling	M	1st	Roy B. Durling	Rose M. Fairbanks	"	"	Farmer	Ipswich, Mass.	Westminster, Vt.
Aug. 11	Irving Alberta Morse	M	2nd	Everett H. Morse	Dorothy D. Pitkin	"	"	Laborer	Harvard, Mass.	Acworth
Aug. 22	Mabel Short	F	1st	Harry A. Short	Beulah Randall	"	"	Farmer	New York	"
Dec 1	Gerald Fred Heselton	M	1st	Ray Fred Heselton	Bessie M. Reed	"	"	Farmer	Winchendon, Mass	Acworth

*Born in Bellows Falls, Vt.

MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

Date 1923	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at Time of Marriage	Age at Marriage	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Groom and Bride	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Age at Marriage	Name, Residence and Official Station of Per- son by whom married
May 29	Alstead	Benjamin Harry Crosby Madalene Bennett	Acworth Acworth	17 18	Laborer Housework	Alstead Willsboro, N. Y.	Edwin Crosby Henrietta Smith Frank Bennett Jennie McVallent Lynman A. Young	W. Fairlee, Vt. Alstead Montreal, Can. Willsboro, N. Y.	1 1	Owen E. Hardy Alstead Clergyman
Oct. 6	Marlboro	Clyde E. Young Edna E. Elliott	Acworth Acworth	24 18	Laborer Housework	Acworth Acworth	Myrtle R. Reed Charles E. Elliott Frances Perham	Acworth Shelbourne, Vt. Acworth	1 1	William Wesson Marlboro Clergyman

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF ACWORTH, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

Date 1923	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age Y M D	Place of Birth	Sex and Condition			Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Name of Mother
					Male	Female	Color		Father	Mother		
Jan. 25	Acworth	George M. Heard	81	1 Acworth	M		M	Teamster	Dublin	Alstead	Henry Heard	Thankful Grant
Jan. 26	Concord	Orlando D. Kemp	68	1 9 Acworth	M		M	Farmer	Acworth	Acworth	Orlin R. Kemp	Mary Reed
May 29	Concord	Helen Merrill	72	4 9 Acworth		F	D	None			Nathaniel Merrill	Hannah Collins
June 4	Acworth	Sarah Jane Chapman	82	1 27 Haverloch, N. B.		F	W	Housekeeper	Nova Scotia	Ireland	Joseph Chapman	Jane Scott
June 5	Acworth	Harriett B. Jones	64	2 4 Newburg, N. Y.		F	M	Housewife	Newburg, N. Y.	New York City	Robert Hamilton	Ellen Sullivan
June 6	Acworth	Manley W. Gassett	80	7 1 Gilsun	M		W	Farmer	Massachusetts	New Hampshire	Walker Gassett	Betsy Hall
July 1	Hanover	Harriette L. Neal	87	21 Charlestown	M	F	W	At home	Bellingham, Mass.	Acworth	Lewis Gilmore	Emily Campbell
Oct. 19	Acworth	George T. Augustus	82	6 19 Hull, Mass.	M		S		Trieste, Austria	Hull, Mass.	John Augustus	Adeline
Dec. 30	Acworth											

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GUY S. NEAL, TOWN CLERK.

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